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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Application No.: 09/940,491)	
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Filed: August 29, 2001)	
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING)	
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METHOD THEREOF, AND)	
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METHOD)	June 16, 2005

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Sir:

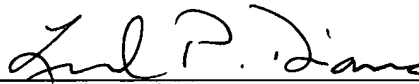
In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed together with a copy of a Japanese Office Action dated February 24, 2005, citing the listed documents.

For the relevance of the Japanese documents, the Examiner is respectfully referred to the accompanying abstracts.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Leonard P. Diana", is written over a horizontal line.

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